



Metro Policy Advisory Committee
September 11, 2013
Metro Council Chamber

MEMBERS PRESENT

Andy Duyck
Bill Turlay
Bob Grover
Craig Prosser
Denny Doyle
Doug Neeley
Jerry Willey
Jody Carson, *1st Vice Chair*
Josh Fuhrer
Loretta Smith, *Chair*
Marilyn McWilliams
Martha Schrader
Maxine Fitzpatrick
Peter Truax, *2nd Vice Chair*
Sam Chase
William Wild

AFFILIATION

Washington County
City of Vancouver
Citizen, Washington Co. Citizen
TriMet
City of Beaverton, Washington Co. 2nd Largest City
City of Oregon City, Clackamas Co. 2nd Largest City
City of Hillsboro, Washington Co. Largest City
City of West Linn, Clackamas Co. Other Cities
City of Gresham, Multnomah County, 2nd Largest City
Multnomah County
Tualatin Valley Water District, Washington Co. Special Districts
Clackamas County
Citizen, Representing Multnomah Co. Citizen
City of Forest Grove, Washington Co. Other Cities
Metro Council
Oak Lodge Sanitary District, Clackamas Co. Special Districts

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Amanda Fritz
Bob Stacey
Charlie Hales
Charlynn Newton
Craig Dirksen
Jeff Gudman
Steve Stuart
Tim Clark
Wilda Parks

AFFILIATION

City of Portland
Metro Council
City of Portland
City of North Plains, City in Washington Co. Outside the UGB
Metro Council
City of Lake Oswego, Clackamas Co. Largest City
Clark County
City of Wood Village, Multnomah Co. Other Cities
Citizen, Representing Clackamas Co. Citizen

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Jennifer Donnelly
Lise Glancy

AFFILIATION

Oregon Dept. of Land Conservation and Development
Port of Portland

STAFF: Kelsey Newell, Lake McTighe, Amy Croover, Beth Cohen, Nick Christensen, Steve Wheeler, Colin Deverell, Ina Zucker, Ken Ray, Alison Kean, John Williams, Ted Reid, Andy Shaw, and Councilor Kathryn Harrington.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Loretta Smith called the meeting to order at 5:05p.m.

2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

All attendees introduced themselves.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no citizen communication or non-agenda items.

4. COUNCIL UPDATE

Councilor Sam Chase gave an update on the following items:

- The Metro Council voted on August 15th to award \$4.2 million in Community Planning and Development Grants to 20 projects across the region with the purpose of supporting regional development.
- The Metro Council voted unanimously on August 15th to negotiate a Developing and Financing Agreement with Mortenson/Hyatt Development for the construction of a Convention Center Hotel. The Portland City Council is scheduled to vote on an intergovernmental agreement by the end of September and it is expected that Multnomah County will have a similar vote that is yet to be scheduled.
- Neka, a 6-year-old African lion, gave birth to three healthy lion cubs last Saturday and all are doing well.

5. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 11TH CONSENT AGENDA

- August 14, 2013 Minutes
- MTAC Nominations

MOTION: Mayor Denny Doyle moved, Councilor Jody Carson seconded, to approve the consent agenda.

ACTION: With all in favor, the motion passed.

6. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DRAFT REGIONAL ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN: RESOLUTION NO. 13-4454

Ms. Lake McTighe, Metro, provided MPAC with a brief overview of the Regional Active Transportation Plan (ATP) and sought a recommendation from MPAC to the Metro Council to approve Resolution No. 13-4454.

Ms. McTighe began by stating that the purpose of the ATP is to create safe, reliable transportation network and exercise leadership on climate change. She noted that the plan has been shaped with much input, but staff is continuing to engage with external partners to refine the ATP. She stated that the purpose of the resolution is a formal acknowledgment of the work done to date on the ATP. After the resolution passes, there will be adequate time for further input and refinement of the project before being proposed for adoption as a component of the RTP in 2014.

For more information, visit www.oregonmetro.gov/activetransport.

Member discussion included:

- Members expressed great appreciation for the work that has been done to date on this project and for extending the timeline in which MPAC needed to make a recommendation. It was expressed that this action was beneficial for local jurisdictions to really understand the ATP process.
- Members asked for clarification on the schedule of adoption. Ms. McTighe stated that from now until March 2014, there will be time to further refine the ATP. At that time a draft plan will be released for public comment and in July 2014, the plan will be proposed for adoption at a component of the 2014 RTP.
- Members stressed the need for funding for local projects not on the regional system.
- Members asked about the role of the workgroup and how it relates to the Stakeholder Advisory Committee. Ms. McTighe stated that the Stakeholder Advisory Committee met for 18 months and held 10 meetings. The group concluded meeting when the draft plan was completed through the ODOT TGM grant. By providing two years of funding for active transportation the Metro Council makes it possible to form a workgroup that can now guide the changes made to the RTP based on the ATP. Members of the Stakeholder Advisory Committee, as well as MTAC, TPAC and other interested stakeholders will be invited to participate in the workgroup.

MOTION: Mayor Denny Doyle moved, Councilor Jody Carson seconded, to recommend adoption of Resolution No. 13-4454, to the Metro Council.

ACTION: With all in favor, the motion passed.

7. 2014 URBAN GROWTH REPORT AND 2015 GROWTH MANAGEMENT DECISION

Mr. John Williams, Metro, began by stating that this will be the first of many conversations over the next two years regarding the upcoming Urban Growth Report (UGR) and the Growth Management Decision. Mr. Williams stated that within these decisions, other regional efforts will be looked at to see how they connect through the jurisdictions helping meet regional growth goals. The process is intended to benefit jurisdictions and is an opportunity to offer ideas on how to better connect regional efforts.

Mr. Ted Reid, Metro, provided MPAC with information about the timeline and approach that will lead to the Metro Council's upcoming growth management decision. He stated that Metro has a regional vision to guide how we respond to more households and jobs, focusing on growth in urban centers and transportation corridors. The Growth Concept also includes UGB expansions when there's a regional need. Through the process, a lot of local and regional policies and investments are implemented including: transportation investments, urban renewal, zoning, Transit-Oriented Development programs, and other technical assistance. Management of the UGB is one such tool to achieve the local and regional goals. State laws lay out a cycle for Metro's review of growth capacity and the region is beginning that next review cycle now. The Urban Growth Report (UGR) will address long term opportunities and challenges focusing on employment and residential growth. In both analyses, there will be a focus on supply and demand guided by statewide planning goals and statutes including analysis of housing and transportation affordability. Mr. Reid then spoke to the timeline and MPAC's role. MPAC will be asked to make a formal recommendation to the Metro Council on the UGR in the fall of 2014. They will also be asked to make a similar recommendation on

the growth management decision in the fall of 2015. In moving forward, Metro staff will seek direction from the Metro Council on specific topics on which they would seek MPAC's advice. For more information, visit www.oregonmetro.gov.

Member discussion included:

- Members asked about the possibility of mandatory jurisdictional boundary expansion. Mr. Williams stated that jurisdictions certainly have the option in wishing not to expand and that there is no obligation for a city to develop and adopt concept plans for urban reserve areas if there is no local desire for UGB expansion, but if there is a need to expand the UGB, in order to remain compliant with Oregon statutes, Metro would have the authority to expand the UGB in a jurisdiction without their consent and without an adopted concept plan.
- Members asked if analyses related to growth could come before MPAC earlier than in previous years as to have thoughtful discussions earlier in the process. Mr. Williams stated that staff will work to provide MPAC with as good an understanding as possible about the process.
- Members expressed a need for more transparency in this process and to see the criteria to which specific categories will be evaluated.
- Members asked how the Climate Smart Communities Scenarios project would have influence on this decision. Mr. Reid stated that local and regional plans are fairly ambitious and go a long way towards meeting greenhouse gas reduction goals and that investments are needed to implement those plans. Both the Urban Growth Report and a preferred CSC scenario are scheduled to be adopted by the Council near the end of 2014. In 2015, staff will be looking to the CSC preferred scenario to determine how it impacts the assessment of regional land needs.

8. MPAC MEMBER COMMUNICATION

Mayor Pete Truax, Forest Grove stated that he is calling for a review of MPAC's membership structure as well as the operational duties of the committee in the future. He stated that he did not have any suggestions at this time, but is willing to be a part of the larger conversation regarding the future of MPAC.

Additionally, Mayor Truax thanked Mr. Craig Prosser and TriMet for their ongoing support of the newly operational Grove Link transit system which provides residents of Forest Grove with increased access to transit.

Mayor Doug Neeley, Oregon City, stated that the Willamette Falls Legacy Project will be moving forward with the master planning process.

Members asked Metro Councilor Sam Chase how they could be supportive of the OCC Hotel project. Councilor Chase stated that support could best be shown by testifying in favor of the project at the next Portland City Council meeting.

Councilor Jody Carson, West Linn, noted that the Willamette Falls Festival will be held on October 5-6, 2013.

9. ADJOURN

Chair Loretta Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Joe Montanez
Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR AUGUST 14, 2013

The following have been included as part of the official public record:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Doc. Type</u>	<u>Doc. Date</u>	<u>Doc. Description</u>	<u>Doc. Number</u>
5	Handout	9/4/11	MTAC Nominations	91113m-01
5	Handout	N/A	MTAC Roster	91113m-02
6	Handout	9/4/13	MTAC Memo	91113m-03
6	PPT	N/A	ATP	91113m-04
6	Handout	9/3/13	ATP Memo	91113m -05
6	Handout	N/A	ATP/RTP Maps	91113m-06
7	PPT	N/A	UGR	91113m-07